announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 438. An Act to increase the amount of student loans that may be forgiven for teachers in mathematics, science, and special education.

H.R. 2211. An Act to reauthorize title II of the Higher Education Act of 1965.

H.R. 2657. An Act making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 438. An act to increase the amount of student loans that may be forgiven for teachers in mathematics, science, and special education; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 2211. An act to reauthorize title II of the Higher Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2658. An act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2657. An act making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3090. A communication from the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Railroad Retirement Board Strategic Plan for the years 2003 through 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3091. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Commission's Annual Report for calendar year 2001; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-3092. A communication from the Chair of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's report on the impact of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 on the administration of elections for federal office during the 2002 election cycle; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-3093. A communication from the Under Secretary, Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) Systems Interoperability and Portability" (RIN0584-AD17) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3094. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 02-01; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-3095. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Management Report to the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period October 1, 2002 to March 31, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3096. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3097. A communication from the Director of the Peace Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3098. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, a report entitled "Mismanagement, Noncompliance, and Ineffective Internal Controls Exposed School System Funds to a Significant Risk of Fraud, Waste, and Abuse"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3099. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, a report entitled "Examination of the Commission on Mental Health Services' Financial Operations Under Court-Ordered Receivership Revealed Ineffective Management Accountability and Inadequate Financial Controls"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3100. A communication from the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Parts 831 and 842 of Title 5, Code of Federal Regulations" (RIN3206-AJ82) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3101. A report from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Organization of the Government for Personnel Management, Overseas Employment, Temporary and Term Employment, Recruitment and Selection for Temporary and Term Appointments Outside the Register, Examining Systems, and Training" (RIN3206-AJ) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3102. A communication from the Chairman of the Inland Waterways Users Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of the Board for the calendar year 2002; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3103. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report entitled "Policy on Listed Mixed Ownership Mine or Mill Sites Created as a Result of the General Mining Law of 1872 on the Federal Agency Hazardous Waste Compliance"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

EC-3104. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; 1-Hour Ozone Standard for Santa Barbara, California" (FRL#7515-3) received on July 8, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3105. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans Georgia: Approval of Revisions to

State Implementation Plan' (FRL#7524-6) received on July 8, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3106. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emamectin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL#7316-6) received on July 8, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3107. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report entitled "RCRA Civil Penalty Policy"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3108. A communication from the FHWA Regulations Officer, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Dromedary Equipped Truck Tractor-Semitrailers as Specialized Equipment" (RIN2125-AE94) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

EC-3109. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's report on orders issued to protect safeguards information; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3110. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Nitrogen Oxides Budget Trading Program" (FRL#7523-2) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3112. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Regional Haze Rule to Correct Mobile Service Provisions to Optional Program for Nine Western States and Eligible Indiana Trives Within that Geographic Area" (FRL#7522-7) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3113. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; State of Iowa" (FRL#7523-4) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3114. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Water Quality Standards for Kansas" (FRL#7522-5) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

EC-3115. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Incorporation by Reference of ASME, BPV, and OM Code Cases" (RIN3150-AG86) received on July 7, 2003; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3116. A communication from the President, Chief Executive Officer, and Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting jointly, pursuant to law, the Bank's Annual Report for the calendar year of 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3117. A communication from the President, Chief Executive Officer, and Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, transmitting jointly, pursuant to law, the Bank's